IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Ratliff et al. Confirmation No.: 6914 Appl. No.: 09/961,419 Art Unit: 3621

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 31, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.